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14 the morning on that day at 7413 Wallingford Way,
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16 Certified Shorthand Reporter, Registered Professional
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 2 between Counsel for the Plaintiffs and Counsel for
 3 the Defendants that this deposition may be taken in
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 8 waived by agreement of counsel and the witness.

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10 (Schlub Deposition Exhibit No. 1
 11 marked for identification.)

12 MR. ARCHER: We're on the record. It's
 13 January 27th, 2012. This is the George Schlub
 14 deposition. The deposition is being taken in the
 15 following cases: Barker vs. AC & S, Incorporated,
 16 et al, which the case number is 09-CV-60285, and
 17 Souja, et al., vs. Owens Illinois, Incorporated,
 18 et al. The case number for that is 09-CV-60256.
 19 These cases are venued in the United States District
 20 Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, MDL
 21 Docket No. 875.

22 We are actually at Mr. Schlub's home at
 23 7413 Wallingford Way, Rockford, Illinois 61107. The
 24 court reporting is being done today by Pohlman

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1 MR. MORRIS: Excuse me, Counsel. She'd
 2 like to swear him in first.

3 GEORGE SCHLUB,
 4 of lawful age, being produced, sworn and examined on
 5 the part of the Defendants, and after responding "I
 6 do" to the oath administered by the court reporter,
 7 deposes and says:

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9 BY MR. ARCHER:

10 Q. Good morning, again.

11 A. **Good morning.**

12 Q. Do you affirm what you just told me
 13 three, four seconds ago?

14 MR. MORRIS: Your name.

15 BY MR. ARCHER:

16 Q. Was what you said earlier --

17 A. **My name?**

18 Q. -- the truth?

19 A. **Oh, the truth, yes.**

20 Q. As if you were under oath --

21 A. **Yes.**

22 Q. -- still?

23 All right. Where are you from
 24 originally?

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1 Reporting out of 10 South Broadway, St. Louis,
 2 Missouri, 63102, phone number is (314) 421-0099.

3 My name is Ron Archer. I represent the
 4 Plaintiffs in the actions mentioned before, and also
 5 I represent George Schlub. I'm with Cascino Vaughan.
 6 We're out of 220 South Ashland Avenue, Chicago,
 7 Illinois 60607, phone number is (312) 944-0600.

8 For the video record, will other
 9 attorneys, which is just one, make his appearance for
 10 the record?

11 MR. MORRIS: David Morris for Owens
 12 Illinois, Incorporated.

13 MR. ARCHER: Thank you.

14 EXAMINATION

15 BY MR. ARCHER:

16 Q. Good morning.

17 A. **Morning.**

18 Q. Please introduce yourself to the members
 19 of the jury.

20 A. **My name is George Schlub.**

21 Q. How old are you?

22 A. **80 years old.**

23 Q. You live here in Rockford?

24 A. **Yes, I do.**

1 A. **Originally I'm from Wisconsin.**

2 Q. Are you married?

3 A. **No, divorced.**

4 Q. Do you have any children?

5 A. **I have four children.**

6 Q. Any grandkids?

7 A. **I have seven grandchildren.**

8 Q. Are you retired?

9 A. **I'm retired, yes.**

10 Q. What do you do now these days that you're
 11 retired?

12 A. **Hmm?**

13 Q. What do you do nowadays that you're
 14 retired?

15 A. **Oh, I have hobbies, and I try to help out
 16 people, especially people in my trade if they need
 17 assistance.**

18 Q. I understand you were in the military?

19 A. **Yes, I was.**

20 Q. What branch?

21 A. **Army.**

22 Q. When did you serve?

23 A. **I served in 1951 and '52.**

24 Q. Where did you serve?

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1	A. Where?	A. Yes.
2	Q. Where.	MR. MORRIS: Object to form.
3	A. I took my training in Kentucky, and then	A. Yes. I was familiar with all that, what
4	I was shipped to Korea during the Korean War.	I worked with and what other trades were working with
5	Q. Were you honorably discharged?	around me, yes.
6	A. Yes, I was.	Q. So if we want to know the kinds of things
7	Q. Let's talk about your work. What was	he worked with and around on jobs you shared
8	your trade?	together, would you be somebody that could help us
9	A. My trade before I retired was an asbestos	out with that?
10	worker, or heat and frost engineer they call them	A. Yes.
11	now.	Q. Where did you work with Ozzie Souja?
12	Q. When did you start?	A. I worked with him at Badger Ordnance at
13	A. I started in 1955.	Baraboo, Wisconsin Army ammunition plant.
14	Q. Were you in a union?	Q. What is Badger Ordnance?
15	A. Yes, I was.	A. It's a plant owned by the U.S.
16	Q. What local is that?	Government. It covers 10,000 acres, and it's -- they
17	A. Local 19 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.	make Army -- they used to make Army ammunition there
18	Q. What is an asbestos worker?	for -- you know, all kinds of ammunition.
19	A. What is an asbestos worker?	Q. When did you work there with Mr. Souja?
20	Q. Describe that for us.	A. I worked there with Mr. Souja in the late
21	A. I'm a tradesman that works with other	'60s and early '70s.
22	building trades in construction in new buildings and	Q. About how long did you work with him
23	old buildings and restorations and powerhouses,	there? Was it a matter of days, weeks, months?
24	whatever, commercial/residential buildings, applying	A. Months, yeah.
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1	insulation to pipes, you know, heating pipes, cooling	Q. What were you doing there?
2	pipes, to ductwork, vessels, and whatever needs	A. We were repairing insulation-covered
3	insulating.	pipes where the weather had gotten to it and the
4	Q. What types of insulation did you work	weather-proofing had -- the weather-proofing had
5	with throughout your career?	fallen off, and they -- the materials, insulating
6	A. I worked with lots of types of	materials, were deteriorated and we had to remove
7	insulation, asbestos mostly. When I first started	them and replace them with new insulation. And there
8	out, it was mostly asbestos materials. In later	was also some new construction that was going on too
9	years it was fiberglass.	that we worked on too. It was new work, and we had
10	Q. Did you come to know a fellow by the name	to insulate that too. But mostly it was removing or
11	of Ozzie Souja?	re-weather-proofing insulation materials that were on
12	A. Yes, I know him.	the pipes already.
13	Q. How did you know him?	Q. How much pipe insulation did you have to
14	A. I worked with him in a trade.	remove out there at Badger Ordnance at this time?
15	Q. If he were on the job, would you	Was this a matter of just a few feet or hundreds of
16	recognize him?	feet, or what? How would you put it?
17	A. I would.	MR. MORRIS: Object to form and
18	Q. Is he -- Would you have a decent	foundation.
19	understanding of the kinds of things he was working	Sir, I may interpose some objections. If
20	with and around on jobs you shared with him?	you could just wait for a second for me to interpose
21	A. Did I what.	them.
22	Q. Would you have a decent understanding of	THE WITNESS: What?
23	the kinds of things he was working with and around on	BY MR. ARCHER:
24	jobs you worked with him?	Q. When my questions are not good, he's

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1 going to object.

2 **A. Oh, okay.**

3 Q. Or at least he thinks they're not good.

4 MR. MORRIS: Right, there you go.

5 BY MR. ARCHER:

6 Q. And he's making that objection for the
7 record in case a judge at some point looks at the
8 videotape or the transcript and has to make a
9 decision, Hey, is that question bad or is it okay or
10 is it -- you know, however he thinks it is. He's
11 just making that objection for the record.

12 **A. It's an objection?**

13 Q. Yeah. It's for the record, but you don't
14 have to -- you don't have to do anything.

15 **A. Okay.**

16 Q. Just basically what you want to do is
17 concentrate on what I'm saying --

18 **A. Yeah.**

19 Q. -- and what you and I are talking about.

20 **A. Okay. What's the objection to?**

21 Q. Don't worry about it.

22 **A. Okay.**

23 MR. ARCHER: Can you read back the
24 question subject to the objection?

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1 BY MR. ARCHER:

2 Q. And then listen to the question and then
3 answer it.

4 **A. The same way I answered it the first
time?**

6 Q. Yeah -- No. Well, just answer it as you
will.

8 (Record read as requested.)

9 BY THE WITNESS:

10 **A. I would put it thousands of feet that we
removed and also reapplied. It had to be insulated,
so we had to reapply the insulation and weather-proof
that too. But it was thousands of feet that we did.
It was all outside, most of it.**

15 Q. How did you remove the insulation?

16 **A. How would we remove it? We would cut
the -- The insulation is wired on, and we had to cut
the wires. It was deteriorated and hanging there,
and the weather-proofing was mostly gone. We had to
cut it down with our nippers and let it fall to the
ground, you know.**

22 Q. Did the removal of the pipe insulation
create dust or not?

24 **A. Oh, certainly, lots of dust.**

1 Q. Was it dust that you could see with your
2 eyes?

3 **A. You could see it. It was outside, and
4 the wind was blowing it around, whipping it around on
5 days that it was windy.**

6 Q. Did you work in that dust? When I say
7 "you," I'm meaning did you and Souja and the rest of
8 your crew work in that dust.

9 **A. Sure, we did. We had to. We had to.
10 They didn't give us masks to wear either. We had to
11 work in it. And we would breathe it in, and it would
12 get on our clothing and get on our hands. We didn't
13 have no washroom facilities, so we'd probably be
14 eating our lunches without washing our hands, you
15 know. That's as I remember it.**

16 Q. How long was the work out there -- I
17 asked you that. It was for about months, was it?

18 **A. Months, yeah, months. It wasn't always
19 consecutive months, but it was on and off, on and off
20 through the summer usually when we did it.**

21 Q. Was Souja there pretty much the whole
22 time you were there, or was he there just for some of
23 it or what?

24 **A. I worked with Ozzie there -- yeah, he was**

1 **there. Him and I worked many months there, yeah.**

2 Q. Could you tell the -- The insulation that
3 you were taking off, could you tell whose it was,
4 like what brand it was?

5 MR. MORRIS: Object to form, foundation.
6 Go ahead.

7 BY THE WITNESS:

8 **A. I knew what it was because I worked with
9 it all my life -- not all my life, but all my life in
10 the trade I had been using that materials. I knew
11 what it looked like, what it felt like, what it
12 smelled like. And I could tell that it was a Kaylo
13 asbestos material.**

14 Q. Had you ever worked at Badger Ordnance
15 before the 1960s work there?

16 **A. Yes.**

17 Q. When?

18 **A. Well, I got into the trade in 1955, and
19 I -- I was exposed to it at that time.**

20 Q. Right. Did you work at Badger Ordnance
21 in the 1950s, or no?

22 **A. To my recollection, I did work. Maybe at
23 the end of the '50s I worked there. Not maybe, but I
know I worked there at the end of 1950s and into the**

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1 **'60s and '70s.**

2 Q. Did you work there before 1958?

3 MR. MORRIS: Objection, form, foundation.

4 Go ahead.

5 BY MR. ARCHER:

6 Q. Would you be able to say that you worked
7 there before '58 or no?

8 MR. MORRIS: Same objections.

9 BY THE WITNESS:

10 A. Yes. I worked there before 1958, yeah.

11 I worked there after '55, yeah.

12 Q. Were there other brands of insulation
13 that you guys were removing out there besides Kaylo
14 in the 1960s and early 1970s when you and Souja were
15 there?

16 A. To my knowledge, no. It was Kaylo.

17 Q. When you were there in the 1950s, what
18 brand insulation were you installing there, if you
19 were?

20 A. I was installing Kaylo.

21 Q. Who were you working for out there in the
22 1950s at Badger Ordnance?23 A. Johnson Insulating Company of Madison,
24 Wisconsin.

1 MR. MORRIS: Same objections.

2 BY THE WITNESS:

3 A. It was Kaylo.

4 Q. How do you know it was Kaylo?

5 A. Because I worked with Kaylo and I knew
6 what it looked like. It was white, chalky. It was
7 very distinctive in the texture of it. I could tell
8 by the texture and the composition that it was Kaylo
9 because I was familiar with Kaylo, so it was
10 something that I had always worked with.11 Q. Back when you were working as a
12 journeyman, would you have been able to tell the
13 difference between -- like, if we laid up, like,
14 Johns Manville Thermobestos insulation, Carey, Kaylo,
15 and other brands of insulation, would you be able to
16 tell them apart back in the day when you were
17 working --

18 MR. MORRIS: Objection, form, foundation.

19 BY MR. ARCHER:

20 Q. -- on a daily basis?

21 A. I could tell Kaylo was different from the
22 other insulations, yes. And at that time I was an
23 apprentice too in the '50s. I was a journeyman in
24 the '60s, but in the '50s I was an apprentice.

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1 Q. Who did you work for when you were back
2 there in the 1950s?3 A. L&S Insulation from Milwaukee, Wisconsin,
4 and also Johnson too. Sometimes in the '60s I worked
5 with Johnson there too. I think with AC & S, I
6 think, from Illinois I think was there too. But
7 Ozzie worked just for L&S, to my knowledge.8 Q. Did he work for Johnson out there with
9 you at all?10 A. He worked for L&S. And I worked for L&S
11 at that time when he did too.12 Q. Gotcha. Was there insulation present at
13 Badger Ordnance when you were there in the '50s that
14 had already been installed previously?15 A. Yes. And also they had a warehouse that
16 had insulation in it, in the boxes, yeah.17 Q. When you were there in the '50s, would
18 you -- were you able to tell what insulation was
19 already present and existing on pipes at that time?

20 MR. MORRIS: Object to form, foundation.

21 Go ahead.

22 BY THE WITNESS:

23 A. I was familiar with it, yes.

24 Q. Whose was it?

1 Q. What were some characteristics that
2 Kaylo -- that set apart Kaylo from other brands?3 A. Just the appearance of it, the
4 composition, the color, the texture, the different
5 white coloring of it, the fiber, whatever.6 Q. What about the texture would tell you
7 that it was Kaylo?8 A. Well, it had a real smooth texture, where
9 the others might have a rough or porous. Kaylo had a
10 real solid, firm composition. I didn't give it a lot
11 of thought at the time; but working with it, it's
12 right there in front of you all the time. I didn't
13 think, well, you know, what it's made of or anything.
14 I knew it was asbestos, but I didn't -- it didn't
15 dwell in my mind. But it was right in front of my
16 eyes all the time, so I could tell the difference
17 between that and other brands that I had used.

18 Q. How popular was Kaylo in the trade --

19 MR. MORRIS: Objection, form, foundation.

20 BY MR. ARCHER:

21 Q. -- up there in the Wisconsin area?

22 MR. MORRIS: Same objections, and calls
23 for speculation.

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1	BY THE WITNESS:	1 that insulation would be?
2	A. Kaylo was real popular. Most contractors	2 MR. MORRIS: Objection, form, foundation.
3	would send in Kaylo insulation out on the job for us	3 BY MR. ARCHER:
4	to apply. We knew it was Kaylo because it said right	4 Q. Based on your experience as an insulator,
5	on the box it was Kaylo. Also, besides being -- you	5 as an asbestos worker.
6	know, the other appearance to it.	6 MR. MORRIS: And calls for speculation.
7	Q. Would you be able to say that you and	7 BY THE WITNESS:
8	Souja worked with or removed Kaylo that had been	8 A. Well, I knew it was installed in the
9	installed before '58 --	9 '40s. That's when they originally installed it. So
10	MR. MORRIS: Objection.	10 I knew it had to be installed then, in the '40s.
11	BY MR. ARCHER:	11 Q. How did you know that it was installed in
12	Q. -- out there at Badger Ordnance.	12 the '40s?
13	MR. MORRIS: Objection, form, foundation,	13 MR. MORRIS: Same objections.
14	calls for speculation.	14 BY THE WITNESS:
15	BY THE WITNESS:	15 A. Because I worked with people in the
16	A. Could you repeat that again?	16 trades that had worked there in the '40s and applied
17	Q. Yeah, subject to the objection, would you	17 it, and they were also on the job when I worked there
18	be able to say that you and Souja worked -- or	18 in the '50s. So they said, well, too that they knew
19	removed Kaylo insulation that had been installed	19 that this was some covering that they had put on and
20	before 1958 out there at Badger Ordnance?	20 in the '40s when the plant was being built.
21	MR. MORRIS: Same objections.	21 Q. Did that insulation appear to be old when
22	BY THE WITNESS:	22 it was being taken off?
23	A. Yes. I could say that, yeah.	23 A. No. It appeared to be new because it was
24	Q. How?	24 weather-proofed and it had the appearance of -- the
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1	A. Because I knew I'd -- Sometimes the	1 stuff that had the weather-proofing on yet,
2	covering that I tore off was covering that I had put	2 underneath that it looked new yet. It was real white
3	on, you know, and had to be replaced again.	3 and new and hadn't been weathered because it was
4	Q. How much piping was out there? Was	4 covered up.
5	there --	5 Q. What about the deteriorated insulation?
6	A. Oh, miles.	6 A. Deteriorated stuff, the weather-proofing
7	Q. -- miles of piping?	7 had been -- had weathered and was falling off and the
8	MR. MORRIS: Objection, form, foundation,	8 insulation was weathered. It was rained on and had
9	calls for speculation.	9 dirt on it and stuff from dust blowing around the
10	BY THE WITNESS:	10 fields there, and it had a real dirty-looking
11	A. Yeah, it was miles and miles, probably	11 appearance.
12	thousands of miles of piping. There's piping over	12 Q. In your experience as an asbestos worker,
13	10,000 acres out there, pipes that carried the steam	13 would you expect that insulation that was installed
14	and the condensate around. It was up on poles.	14 in the '40s could last all the way up until the
15	Q. How much work did you do up there at	15 1960s?
16	Badger Ordnance in the '50s?	16 MR. MORRIS: Form, foundation, calls for
17	A. In the '50s? Very little in the '50s	17 speculation, outside the scope.
18	because I was an apprentice then and I was just	18 BY MR. ARCHER:
19	starting in the trades. But in the '50s I had --	19 Q. Based on your experience.
20	well, I had five years of work in the trade in the	20 MR. MORRIS: Same objections.
21	'50s, so I worked with it quite a bit.	21 BY THE WITNESS:
22	Q. If you're looking at old insulation	22 A. On my experience, being weather-proofed,
23	that's deteriorated on a job, say, out at Badger	23 it could last forever. But when it's exposed to the
24	Ordnance, would you be able to estimate about how old	24 weather, it deteriorates. But underneath that

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1 deterioration, it's real white and chalky, the stuff
 2 that hasn't been eroded. It still has the white
 3 appearance of Kaylo.

4 Q. Do you have any doubt in your mind that
 5 you and Mr. Souja were exposed to dust from Kaylo
 6 insulation that had been installed out there at
 7 Badger Ordnance pre 1958?

8 MR. MORRIS: Hold on. Objection, form,
 9 foundation, calls for speculation, relevance as to
 10 whether or not he has doubt.

11 BY THE WITNESS:

12 A. There's no speculation. I knew that I
 13 was exposed to it. I'm not speculating that I was
 14 exposed to it. I knew I was exposed to it.

15 Q. Do you have any doubt?

16 MR. MORRIS: Same objections.

17 BY THE WITNESS:

18 A. No doubt in my mind. It was Kaylo, and
 19 it was put on and it had to be reapplied or
 20 removed/reapplied. I knew that because that was my
 21 trade, and I knew it like I knew the back of my hand.

22 MR. ARCHER: Those are all the questions
 23 I have for you at this time.

1 was probably 1959 when I first went to Badger
 2 Ordnance to do work.

3 Q. And you were working for Johnson
 4 Insulation in 1959?

5 A. That's correct, out of Madison, yeah.

6 Q. And at that time Mr. -- Is it Souja?

7 A. Souja.

8 Q. Mr. Souja was not working with you in
 9 1959, correct?

10 A. That's correct.

11 Q. You had mentioned that there was a bunch
 12 of weathering that had happened on some of the
 13 insulation at Badger Ordnance when you were there
 14 later in the '60s; is that correct?

15 A. That's correct.

16 Q. Was all the pipe insulation exposed to
 17 the elements, the pipe insulation you were working on
 18 in the '60s?

19 A. 99 percent of it was.

20 Q. So 99 percent of that insulation that you
 21 and Mr. Souja were working on was outside?

22 A. Correct.

23 Q. Okay. In any event, you did not work
 24 with Mr. Souja at Badger Ordnance before 1960,

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1 EXAMINATION

2 BY MR. MORRIS:

3 Q. This should be real quick, Mr. Schlub.
 4 My name is David Morris, as you probably remember
 5 earlier. If I'm not speaking loud enough, let me
 6 know.

7 A. Well, yeah --

8 Q. I've never been accused of being quiet,
 9 but --

10 A. No. Sometimes I have -- understanding
 11 colored people when they talk.

12 Q. Okay. I'll speak slowly then. I haven't
 13 heard that one. That's okay.

14 A. I can --

15 Q. I know you're from a different era.

16 Let me start out here. You mentioned
 17 that in the '50s you worked for whom?

18 A. Johnson Insulating Company.

19 Q. So that was the first time you were at
 20 Badger Ordnance, right?

21 A. Yes. Yes.

22 Q. Do you remember what year that was that
 23 you started at Badger Ordnance?

24 A. I got in the trade in 1955, and I -- it

1 correct?

2 A. That's correct.

3 Q. Do you remember what year it was in the
 4 1960s that you and Mr. Souja were working at Badger
 5 Ordnance?

6 A. It was around -- I bought a new car, a
 7 '67 car, and that's when I remember being there with
 8 him.

9 Q. So your best estimate is that you were
 10 working at Badger Ordnance with Mr. Souja around
 11 1967?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Roughly.

14 Do you know how long a period you and
 15 Mr. Souja were working at Badger Ordnance?

16 A. Off and on, I would say maybe five
 17 months, six months.

18 Q. And for this period of five to six
 19 months, were you both working for L&S Insulation?

20 A. When I worked with Ozzie, yes.

21 Q. Do you know who Elmer Borchardt is?

22 A. Yeah.

23 Q. Who is Elmer Borchardt?

24 A. He's the owner of L&S.

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1 Q. And was he the owner and president when
 2 you were working for L&S?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And Mr. Borchardt, in your estimation and
 5 your experience as an insulator, would know what
 6 products L&S was using in the 1960s?

7 MR. ARCHER: Objection, assumes facts,
 8 speculation.

9 BY THE WITNESS:

10 A. I don't know what Mr. Borchardt knew and
 11 what he didn't know.

12 Q. But in any event, you agree he was the
 13 owner of L&S when --

14 A. Right, yes.

15 MR. ARCHER: Asked and answered.

16 BY MR. MORRIS:

17 Q. -- you worked for them?

18 Now, when you and Mr. Souja went out to
 19 Badger Ordnance, I thought you mentioned that Badger
 20 Ordnance was owned by the U.S. Government at that
 21 time?

22 A. That's correct.

23 Q. And even during the entire time that you
 24 worked there, it was a U.S. Government facility,

1 A. Yes, I can remember that.

2 Q. And I think you've testified you remember
 3 working with calcium silicate products, correct?

4 A. That's correct.

5 Q. And do you recall what kind of product
 6 out of those categories Kaylo is?

7 MR. ARCHER: Assumes facts.

8 BY THE WITNESS:

9 A. Do I -- Repeat it.

10 Q. Out of the three categories of insulation
 11 we just talked about -- 85 Magnesia, Magnesia cement,
 12 and calcium silicate -- do you remember what category
 13 of product Kaylo was?

14 MR. ARCHER: Assumes facts.

15 BY THE WITNESS:

16 A. It was an asbestos product, is what I
 17 know.

18 Q. Do you recall whether or not Kaylo was an
 19 85 Magnesia product or a calcium silicate product?

20 MR. ARCHER: Same.

21 BY THE WITNESS:

22 A. It was 85 percent or whatever. I don't
 23 know, 85 what, whatever.

24 Q. Do you recall what kinds of products

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1 correct?

2 A. That's correct, yes, Badger Ordnance
 3 ammunition plant.

4 Q. As we sit here today, is Badger Ordnance
 5 the only job site that you recall working with
 6 Mr. Souja at?

7 A. I worked on other jobs with him too, but
 8 not with -- not necessarily with Kaylo.

9 Q. So the Badger Ordnance site is the only
 10 site that you can testify that you worked with him
 11 where Kaylo, you said, was present?

12 A. That's correct.

13 Q. You had mentioned that you were an
 14 asbestos worker beginning in the -- 1955 through,
 15 when, the 1980s?

16 A. Right.

17 Q. And as an asbestos worker, did you guys
 18 ever use 85 Magnesia insulation?

19 A. 85 Magnesia, is that the name of it?

20 Q. I'm asking you. Do you recall ever
 21 working with a kind of product called 85 Magnesia?

22 A. I can remember that, yes.

23 Q. Did you ever work with any Magnesia
 24 cement?

1 Johns Manville made?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Did you ever use any Johns Manville
 4 products while you worked for L&S?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Do you remember the types of products
 7 that you worked for -- or worked with that were Johns
 8 Manville while you worked for L&S?

9 A. It was pipe covering and duct insulation.

10 Q. When you say you worked with Johns
 11 Manville pipe covering, was this asbestos-containing
 12 pipe covering?

13 A. To my recollection, it was.

14 Q. During your career either at Johnson
 15 Insulation or L&S Insulation, did you ever work with
 16 any Pabco products?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. What kinds of Pabco products did you work
 19 with?

20 A. Pipe covering and cement. I think they
 21 had cement. Pabco block, I think, too, covering and
 22 block and whatever and cement.

23 Q. Do you recall if you used any Pabco
 24 products while you worked at Badger Ordnance?

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1 **A. I don't recall working with Pabco
2 products at Badger Ordnance.**

3 Q. How about Johns Manville products? Do
4 you recall whether or not you were using any of those
5 during your time at Badger Ordnance with Mr. Souja?

6 **A. My recollection was that Kaylo was used
7 at that time.**

8 Q. And your understanding is that Kaylo is
9 not made by Johns Manville, correct?

10 **A. It's made by Owens Illinois, I
11 understand.**

12 Q. So your testimony -- All right. That's
13 okay.

14 During your career do you remember
15 working with a product called Thermobestos?

16 **A. Yes.**

17 Q. Do you recall whether or not you used
18 Thermobestos at Badger Ordnance in the 1960s with
19 Mr. Souja?

20 **A. I don't recall using it, no.**

21 Q. Can you describe for me what an
22 85 Magnesia pipe covering looks like?

23 **A. It's made of a substance that looks like
24 chalk. It's formed to fit the pipe. When you work**

1 **A. I recall after tearing it off and seeing
2 the bright chalky material that was left after I
3 removed all the weather material, I could tell that
4 that was Kaylo.**

5 Q. And just to be clear, because I know that
6 some asbestos workers use the term "Kaylo"
7 generically, you're testifying that you could tell
8 that it was the Kaylo brand as opposed to Johns
9 Manville or Pabco or Pittsburgh Corning; is that
10 correct?

11 MR. ARCHER: Assumes facts not in
12 evidence.

13 MR. MORRIS: Well, hold on. What facts
14 does it assume?

15 MR. ARCHER: That some asbestos workers
16 called Kaylo -- or insulation Kaylo generically.
17 That's not been established as a fact by anybody in
18 this --

19 MR. MORRIS: Well, let me cure the
20 question, then.

21 BY MR. MORRIS:

22 Q. Is it your testimony, then, that when you
23 removed the pipe insulation from Badger Ordnance,
24 that you could tell that the product that you were

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1 **with it, it gives off dust, and the appearance is
2 real white when the material is new.**

3 Q. How about a calcium silicate pipe
4 covering? Can you describe what that looks like?

5 **A. Cal-sil was similar, but it had different
6 characteristics. It had different coloration and
7 composition than Kaylo.**

8 Q. Describe what you mean by you saying
9 "different coloration."

10 **A. It wasn't as vividly bright white.**

11 Q. So one of the telltale signs, then, of
12 cal-sil as opposed to 85 Mag in your testimony is
13 that it was not as bright white?

14 MR. ARCHER: Argumentative, overbroad,
15 assumes facts, misstates his testimony also.

16 BY THE WITNESS:

17 **A. I don't quite understand that.**

18 Q. So your testimony is that cal-sil was not
19 as bright white as 85 Mag?

20 **A. To my recollection, that's true.**

21 Q. Now, you had mentioned when counsel was
22 asking you questions that you could tell what the
23 brand of the pipe insulation was that you were
24 removing at Badger Ordnance; do you recall that?

1 removing was Kaylo as opposed -- Kaylo brand as
2 opposed to Johns Manville or Pabco or Pittsburgh
3 Corning?

4 **A. In my mind I could say that I could tell
5 it was Kaylo.**

6 Q. How does Kaylo look -- Kaylo brand pipe
7 insulation look different from, let's say, Pabco
8 brand pipe insulation?

9 **A. I think I told you that before, that it
10 has a different coloration, it has different
11 composition, it's not as white in coloration.**

12 Q. And when you say a "different
13 composition," you just mean the texture of the
14 material itself?

15 **A. The texture, if it's porous or smooth or
16 whatever, yes.**

17 Q. Which is Kaylo, porous or smooth?

18 **A. Smooth and more -- less porous.**

19 Q. But when you talk about composition,
20 you're not talking about chemical composition,
21 correct?

22 **A. No, just the physical composition. I
23 wouldn't know about chemicals.**

24 Q. I just want to make sure.

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1 **A. There's a certain odor to them, but I
2 don't -- I could distinguish some of that, yeah.**

3 Q. You had also testified earlier that you
4 knew that -- at least it was your testimony that you
5 knew that some of the pipe insulation you were
6 removing in the '60s was insulation that you
7 installed when you were first at Badger Ordnance. Do
8 you remember that testimony?

9 **A. I would say that some of it could have
10 been.**

11 Q. Okay. But you didn't start at Badger
12 Ordnance until 1959; is that correct?

13 **A. It was -- from what I understood, it was
14 covering that had been applied in the '40s also,
15 because other workers that were older than I was said
16 it was Kaylo insulation that they had installed.**

17 Q. All right. I'm going to come back to my
18 previous question in a second, but let me just go
19 after that real quickly. So your testimony is that
20 someone told you that they installed Kaylo in the
21 1940s?

22 **A. Some of the pipe coverers did, yeah. And
23 that insulation was still on there, and a lot of it
24 was still good yet.**

1 **those.**

2 Q. Do you know if Bob Viola was in the trade
3 during the same period that you began in the trade?

4 **A. He was in there at the same time I was,
5 yes.**

6 Q. Did you and Mr. Viola ever work for the
7 same companies?

8 **A. Yes.**

9 Q. Which ins- -- When I say "companies," I
10 meant insulation contractors.

11 **A. Right.**

12 Q. Which insulation contractors did you both
13 work for?

14 **A. At Portage it was -- it could have been
15 Johnson or it could have been Sprinkmann too.**

16 Q. So you worked for Sprinkmann at some
17 point in your career?

18 **A. Yes, I did.**

19 Q. When did you work for Sprinkmann?

20 **A. When? Well, I worked for them at
21 different periods of time in my life. When I was
22 laid off from Johnson, I would work for Sprinkmann if
23 they had work.**

24 Q. So this was sort of in between different

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1 Q. Insulation that was put in in the '40s,
2 correct?

3 **A. Yeah. If it hadn't weathered, it was
4 still good yet.**

5 Q. So back to the question I asked before,
6 because I'm not sure --

7 MR. MORRIS: Do you even have the one
8 before the last?

9 (Record read as requested.)

10 BY MR. MORRIS:

11 Q. Could you answer that question?

12 **A. What was the question again?**

13 Q. Just strike that question.

14 Let's talk a little bit about Local 19.

15 Local 19 was the union you were a part of in
16 Milwaukee, Wisconsin, correct?

17 **A. That's correct, I was a member of the
18 Local 19.**

19 Q. Did you know Robert or Bob Viola?

20 **A. Yes, I did.**

21 Q. When did you first meet Bob Viola?

22 **A. I met Bob Viola at Portage powerhouse,
23 electric powerhouse at Portage, Wisconsin. I think
24 it was Wisconsin Power & Light or Madison Gas, one of**

1 companies, you'd just go work for Sprinkmann if you
2 needed to do some work here or there; is that
3 correct?

4 MR. ARCHER: Assumes facts.

5 BY THE WITNESS:

6 **A. If I was laid off, I would work for
7 Sprinkmann if they were hiring, yes.**

8 Q. Did you work for Sprinkmann in the 1960s;
9 do you recall?

10 **A. I probably did.**

11 Q. Did you know a person by the name of John
12 Locher? Does that name ring a bell?

13 **A. John who?**

14 Q. Locher?

15 **A. Locher? How do you spell that?**

16 Q. L-o-c-h-e-r.

17 **A. I worked with Lockey. I don't know if
18 that's different. Locher, John Locher? I can't say
19 for sure.**

20 Q. Okay. In any event, the Local 19 at that
21 time was called the Asbestos Workers Union, right?

22 **A. Yes.**

23 Q. And do you recall whether or not you
24 guys, as part of Local 19, got newsletters from the

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1 union hall?

2 **A. At that time? At what time?**

3 **Q. In the '50s and 1960s.**

4 **A. There wasn't any newsletters at that**
 5 **time. At least I don't remember having a newsletter**
 6 **then. I get them now, but I don't remember getting**
 7 **them then.**

8 **Q. And as an asbestos worker, can you tell**
 9 **me what changed with respect to how you did your job**
 10 **from, let's say, the late 1950s to the 1970s? Did**
 11 **anything in the way that you applied insulation**
 12 **change?**

13 **A. It changed, yes.**

14 **Q. How so?**

15 **A. Well, the way you applied it, you wired**
 16 **it on, but you also -- instead of putting tar paper**
 17 **or weather-proofing on, you would put aluminum**
 18 **jacketing on it. But you applied the insulation the**
 19 **same way, you wired it on.**

20 **Q. How about the kind of gear that you'd use**
 21 **in the field? Did you have different kinds of tools**
 22 **and safety equipment from the 1950s to the 1970s?**

23 **A. Yes, sure.**

24 **Q. What different equipment did you get?**

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1 **A. It wasn't different equipment. It was**
 2 **all the same. It was -- you had your pliers and your**
 3 **nippers and you had your saws and you had your**
 4 **trowels. You had all that stuff, yeah.**

5 **Q. How about, like, masks for the workers?**
 6 When do you -- When were you first using masks in the
 7 field, if ever, as an asbestos worker?

8 **A. Face masks?**

9 **Q. Yeah.**

10 **A. We never used them at Badger Ordnance, I**
 11 **know that.**

12 **Q. And that was in the late -- well, 1967 at**
 13 **least, correct?**

14 **A. Yeah. You could -- They never -- The**
 15 **companies never gave us masks to wear. Some of the**
 16 **guys would buy their own, but they were -- they**
 17 **weren't -- they were just Mickey Mouse masks. They**
 18 **weren't real good filters.**

19 **Q. Do you recall a time when you were**
 20 **required to wear a mask in the field?**

21 **A. No -- I can remember a time when I was**
 22 **required to, yeah.**

23 **Q. Do you remember when that started?**

24 **A. That was toward the end of my working**

1 **years, maybe the '80s. When we worked in a**
 2 **powerhouse or something, they required us to wear a**
 3 **mask.**

4 **Q. But even in the late '60s and early**
 5 **1970s, you weren't required to wear a mask in the**
 6 **field?**

7 **A. No. No. When OSHA came along, then they**
 8 **changed that, yeah.**

9 **Q. And back to the work in 1967 at Badger**
 10 **Ordnance. When you said you were removing old,**
 11 **deteriorated pipe insulation, am I correct, then,**
 12 **that obviously this pipe insulation had been outside**
 13 **of the box for some time, correct?**

14 **A. That's correct.**

15 **Q. I mean, the boxes that that insulation**
 16 **came in were no longer there because it was on the**
 17 **pipe, correct?**

18 **A. Yeah. That was -- Yeah, the boxes were**
 19 **destroyed, yeah.**

20 **Q. Because the normal process is you take**
 21 **the insulation out of the box, you do what you have**
 22 **to do to put on the pipe, and then the box goes away,**
 23 **correct?**

24 **A. Right, yeah.**

1 **Q. Let me just look to see if there's**
 2 **anything else here.**

3 **A. But that was also -- When it came in the**
 4 **box, it would say Kaylo product on there, Kaylo pipe**
 5 **insulation.**

6 **Q. I understand, but that -- That's fine. I**
 7 **understand that.**

8 **A. But I can remember that it had the name**
 9 **on there.**

10 **MR. MORRIS: I think that's all I have.**
 11 **Thank you.**

12 **MR. ARCHER: Thank you. Your deposition**
 13 **is complete.**

14 **THE WITNESS: Thank you.**

15 **THE COURT REPORTER: What do you want to**
 16 **do about signature?**

17 **MR. MORRIS: You want to turn this off?**
 18 **I've got to ask him something off the record.**

19 **MR. ARCHER: Yeah. Hold on a second.**
 20 **It's 10:43. We're off the record.**

21 **(WHEREUPON, signature was waived and**
 22 **the witness was excused.)**

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